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SUBJECT: FAO PROGRAM AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

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1. YUGOSLAVIA HAS DISTRIBUTED NOTE IN ROME TO FAO MEMBER STATES EXPRESSING THE INTEREST OF DR. MILAN TRKULJA TO BE CHAIRMAN OF THE FAO PROGRAM COMMITTEE. SO FAR NO OTHER CANDIDATES HAVE OFFICIALLY HAD THEIR HATS PUT IN THE RING. FODAG HAS NO WORD ON ANY UNOFFICIAL CANDIDATES AT PRESENT TIME. SOME PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES HAVE DELAYED REGIONAL DISCUSSIONS ON CHOICE FOR PROGRAM COMMITTEE UNTIL LATER DATE WHEN OTHER CANDIDATES MAY BE KNOWN. U.S. DEPUTY PERMREP HAS

BEEN QUESTIONED ON RALPH PHILLIPS' PLANS TO STAND AGAIN FOR CHAIRMANSHIP OF PROGRAM COMMITTEE. WE HAVE AVOIDED COMMENTS SO FAR, BUT

YUGOSLAV CANDIDACY MAKES AN EARLY U.S. DECISION IMPERATIVE.

2. CHAIRMANSHIP OF FINANCE COMMITTEE IS ALSO CONFUSED. BANGLADESH

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PERMREP SAYS THAT HE HAS NO WORD ON WHETHER S. AHMED OF BANGLADESH PLANS TO BE CANDIDATE AGAIN. UNOFFICIAL CANDIDATES FOR FINANCE COMMITTEE CHAIRMANSHIP ARE BE HADJ AMORE OF TUNISIA AND C.J. VALDES OF THE PHILIPPINES, BUT THEY ARE WAITING TO HEAR AHMED'S DECISION.

3. THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONAL AND LEGAL MATTERS (CCLM) CONSIDERED THE CHANGE OF FAO'S RULES ON SIZE AND ELECTION OF THE

PROGRAM AND FINANCE COMMITTEES. IT IS SAID THAT THERE WAS SOME EFFORT TO RECONSIDER THE CHANGES APPROVED BY THE LAST COUNCIL, BUT THE CCLM SUPPORTS THE CHANGES WITH A FEW ALTERATIONS IN THE AMENDED WORDING FOR CLARITY. CCLM SUGGESTED AMENDMENTS TO FAO BASIC TEXTS TO EFFECT CHANGES WIL BE BEFORE 72ND COUNCIL. THEN AMENDMENTS ON ENLARGED PROGRAM AND FINANCE COMMITTEES WILL BE UP FOR FINAL APPROVAL BY THE FAO CONFERENCE IN NOVEMBER AND ELECTION BY THE FAO COUNCIL ON DECEMBER 2, 1977.

4. ADVANCE DRAFT CCLM REPORT IS BEING POUCHED TO BYRNES, IO/AGR, ALONG WITH YUGOSLAV NOTE AND CURRICULUM VITAE OF TRKUJLA.

5. FOR PRESENT WE PLAN TELLCANADIANS HERE THAT WE CONTINUE HAVE STRONG INTEREST IN PROGRAM COMMITTEE AND WOULD THEREFORE SUPPORT THEIR INTEREST IN FINANCE COMMITTEE SINCE, UNDER NEW ROLES, NORTH AMERICA ENTITLED TO SEAT ON EACH BODY. WE RECOMMEND EXPRESSING TO GENEVA GROUP AT EARLY DATE U.S. INTEREST IN CCLM (SEE BAKER-BYRNES

LETTER OF OCTOBER 19). GARDNER

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